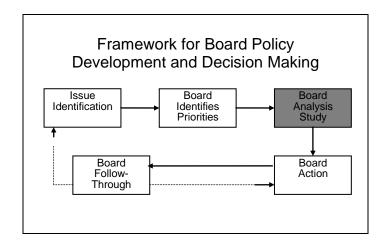
## **Iowa State Board** of Education

## **Executive Summary**

November 18, 2009



Federal Policy Update Agenda Item:

Iowa Goal: All K-12 students will achieve at a high level.

**Equity Impact** 

Statement:

School districts have the responsibility to ensure that

all students have access to high quality learning

opportunities.

Presenter: Judy Jeffrey, Director

Office of the Director

Kevin Fangman, Administrator Division of PK-12 Education

Attachments: None

Recommendation: It is recommended that the State Board hear and discuss

this information.

Background: Congress has earmarked over 5 billion dollars in new

> funding as an incentive for states and districts to transform education. Background information will be presented on Race to the Top, Innovation Grants, and School Improvement Grants. Information will also be shared regarding the Common Core Standards Initiative.